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SUBJECT: ICCS EXPENDITURES

REF: COLANTONIO TELECON REQUEST TO CHARGE JULY 11

1. FOLLOWING IS STATEMENT OF ICCS SECRETARIAT EXPENDITURES
BOOKED (EQUIVALENT TO ACCOUNTS PAYABLE) DURING ITS FIRST FISCAL
YEAR (JANUARY 1973 THROUGH MARCH 1974) AS CONTAINED IN SECRETARIAT
REPORT NOT YET FORMALLY ACCEPTED BY FULL COMMISSION:

A. CAPITAL INVESTMENT \$ 160,179.79
B. OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE

1. PERSONNEL COSTS

A. ACCOMMODATION 554,517.07
B. MEDICAL CARE 5,778.33
C. COMPENSATION 130,600.00
D. REST & RECREATION 10,024.18
E. TRAVEL OF SECRETARIAT
 PERSONNEL 605.24
F. REPRESENTATION 1,662.87
G. MESSING EXPENDITURE (PA&E
 AND ASSOCIATED ENTERPRISES)822,667.44

SUB-TOTAL \$1,525,855.13

2. EQUIPMENT OPERATING COST

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A. AIR TRANSPORTATION	
IN VN (AIR AMERICA)	7,520.076.77
B. GROUND TRANSPORTATION	
IN VN (PA&E, SEALANTIC,	
AND OTHERS)	1,854.043.29
C. COMMUNICATIONS (ITT/	
FEC AND OTHERS)	1,265,556.38
D. MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR	463,360.18
E. OFFICE EQUIPMENT	43,798.53

SUB-TOTAL	\$11,137,835.15

3. FACILITIES OPERATING COSTS

A. REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	
OF BUILDINGS (PA&E	
& GRAND PACIFIC)	1,256,975.65
B. PUBLIC UTILITIES	369,279.38

SUB-TOTAL	\$1,626,273.03

4. OTHER OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE COSTS

A. PRINTING AND PUBLICATION	5,744.09
B. PURCHASE OF BOOKS	2,134.32
C. STATIONARY AND OFFICE	
SUPPLIES	249,732.52
D. LOCAL EMPLOYEES	627,887.48
E. SECURITY	482,604.85
F. CLAIMS AGAINST ICCS	518.00
G. PEST CONTROL	2,138.51
H. MISCELLANEOUS	1,650,092.49

SUB-TOTAL	\$3,020,852.35

GRAND TOTAL FOR SECRETARIAT	\$17,470,995.45
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2. THE NATIONAL DELEGATIONS HAVE NOT YET SUBMITTED FULL STATEMENTS OF THEIR EXPENDITURES DURING THE FIRST FISCAL YEAR. WHILE THEY HAVE BILLED THE COMMISSION FOR SUPPLEMENTARY FOOD UNCLASSIFIED

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PAYMENTS (PER DIEM), THEY HAVE NOT YET PRESENTED THE COMMISSION WITH BILLS FOR AIR TRAVEL OUTSIDE VIETNAM AND SOME OTHER EXPENSES. ICCS SECRETARIAT OFFICERS EXPECT THAT WHEN THESE BILLS ARE SUBMITTED, EACH DELEGATION WILL CHARGE THE FULL AMOUNT SPECIFIED FOR EACH CATEGORY OF THE BUDGET, WHICH WAS APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION, THE USG, AND THE GVN. THE OVERALL AMOUNTS BUDGETED FOR THE FOUR COUNTRIES ARE:

HUNGARY	\$3,151,963
INDONESIA	3,264.752
IRAN	930.923
POLAND	3,098,325

GRAND TOTAL FOR DELEGATIONS \$10,445,963

3. WITHIN THESE OVERALL AMOUNTS, HUNGARY BUDGETED \$1,392,131 FOR PER DIEM, \$816,895 FOR AIR TRAVEL TO AND FROM VIETNAM, AND \$313,037 FOR COMMUNICATIONS. INDONESIA BUDGETED \$1,591,943 FOR PER DIEM, \$679,132 FOR AIR TRAVEL TO AND FROM VIETNAM, AND \$233,351 FOR COMMUNICATIONS, IRAN BUDGETED \$320,714 FOR PER DIEM, \$83,709 FOR AIR TRAVEL TO AND FROM VIETNAM, AND \$286,000 FOR COMMUNICATIONS. POLAND BUDGETED \$1,412,321 FOR PER DIEM, \$583,267 FOR AIR TRAVEL TO AND FROM VIETNAM, AND \$426,731 FOR COMMUNICATIONS.

4. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT WHILE THE ICCS PROTOCOL TO THE PARIS AGREEMENT STIPULATES THAT EACH MEMBER OF THE ICCS SHALL PAY THE SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES OF ITS PERSONNEL, THE COMMISSION HAS INTERPRETED THIS PROVISION AS APPLYING TO REGULAR ALLOWANCES OTHER THAN THE SPECIAL "SUPPLEMENTARY FOOD PAYMENT" WHICH IS ROUGHLY THE EQUIVALENT OF OUR PER DIEM. THE FIGURE DETERMINED BY THE ICCS, \$13 PER MAN PER DAY, IS APPROXIMATELY IN LINE WITH THE US FIGURE OF \$11 PER DAY FOR PER DIEM IF GOVERNMENT HOUSING IS PROVIDED AND WITH THE UN ALLOWANCES SCALE IN VIETNAM WE HAVE THEREFORE APPROVED THE ICCS BUDGETS INCLUDING THIS PROVISION.

5. WITH REGARD TO THE FIRST THREE MONTHS (APRIL MAY JUNE 1974) OF THE ICCS SECOND FISCAL YEAR, THERE IS AS YET NO BUDGET PERFORMANCE REPORT ON EXPENDITURES BOOKED BY EITHER THE SECRETARIAT OR THE FOUR DELEGATIONS. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, UNCLASSIFIED

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SIMPLEST WAY TO ESTIMATE EXPENDITURES BOOKED WOULD BE TO TAKE ONE QUARTER OF EACH CATEGORY FROM CURRENT YEAR'S APPROVED \$24.5 MILLION BUDGET (COPIES SENT EA/VN APRIL 30). HOWEVER, SINCE APRIL 1 ONLY CONTRIBUTIONS TO ICCS HAVE BEEN TWO CHECKS FROM USG TALLING \$2.4 MILLION. EFFECT HAS BEEN TO DRASTICALLY REDUCE AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURES BOOKED FROM LEVEL FORESEEN IN BUDGET, PARTICULARLY IN SECRETARIAT. EMBASSY HAS REQUESTED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES BOOKED FROM ICCS AND WILL TRANSMIT AS SOON AS RECEIVED; HOWEVER, SHOULD BE NOTED COMMISSION AT PRESENT MOMENT SOMEWHAT MORE RESERVED THAN USUAL IN RELEASING EXPENDITURES BOOKED TO US BECAUSE OF OUR POSITION ON TIEING LAST US CHECK ENTIRELY TO PAYMENTS TO CONTRACTORS. LEHMANN

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